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STATE BAR COURT OF CALIFORNIA  
REVIEW DEPARTMENT

En Banc

In the Matter of	)	SBC-19-C-30172
	)	
ROGELIO VERGARA MORALES,	)	ORDER
	)	
State Bar No. 270706.	)	
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On April 24, 2019, the Office of Chief Trial Counsel of the State Bar (OCTC) submitted a Transmittal of Records of Conviction of Rogelio Vergara Morales, State Bar Number 270706, showing his convictions for violating (1) Penal Code section 459 (burglary with enhancement under Penal Code section 422.75, subdivision (a) (hate crime)), (2) Penal Code section 524 (extortion with enhancement under Penal Code section 422.75, subdivision (a) (hate crime)), (3) Penal Code section 644/487a (attempted grand theft exceeding \$400 with enhancement under Penal Code section 422.75, subdivision (a) (hate crime)), (4) Penal Code section 644/487a (attempted grand theft exceeding \$400), (5) Penal Code section 115 (offering forged instrument), all felonies involving moral turpitude, (6) Penal Code section 646.9, subdivision (a) (stalking), a felony that may or may not involve moral turpitude, (7) Penal Code section 166, subdivision (a)(4) (disobeying a court order), a misdemeanor that may or may not involve moral turpitude, (8) Penal Code section 523 (threatening letter with intent to extort money with enhancement under Penal Code section 422.75, subdivision (a) (hate crime)), and (9) Penal Code section 523 (threatening letter with intent to extort money), a felony that we have not previously classified. We did not receive a response from respondent.

Based on respondent's felony convictions, it is ordered pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 6102 that respondent be suspended from the practice of law effective June 10, 2019, pending final disposition of this proceeding. (Cal. Rules of Court, rule 9.10(a).) It is further ordered that respondent comply with California Rules of Court, rule 9.20, and perform the acts specified in subdivisions (a) and (c) of that rule within 30 and 40 days, respectively, after the effective date of this suspension.

Within 10 days of the date of this order, OCTC is ordered to provide its legal analysis with authorities as to why a Penal Code section 523 violation should be classified as moral turpitude per se. Respondent has 10 days from the filing of OCTC's pleading to respond.

OCTC is also ordered to submit evidence of finality or provide an update on finality within 120 days.

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Acting Presiding Judge

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

[Rules Proc. of State Bar; Rule 5.27(B); Code Civ. Proc., § 1013a(4)]

I am a Court Specialist of the State Bar Court of California. I am over the age of eighteen and not a party to the within proceeding. Pursuant to standard court practice, in the City and County of Los Angeles, on May 14, 2019, I deposited a true copy of the following document(s):

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in a sealed envelope for collection and mailing on that date as follows:

- by first-class mail, with postage thereon fully prepaid, through the United States Postal Service at Los Angeles, California, addressed as follows:

ROGELIO VERGARA MORALES  
LAW OFFICE OF ROGELIO V. MORALES  
P.O. 51630  
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- by interoffice mail through a facility regularly maintained by the State Bar of California addressed as follows:

Kevin B. Taylor, Enforcement, San Francisco

I hereby certify that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed in Los Angeles, California, on May 14, 2019.



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Mel Zavala  
Court Specialist  
State Bar Court